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CATTLE ON FEED

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SOUTH DAKOTA: South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 210,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on March 1. The March 1 number is up 3,000 from a year ago and up 10,000 head from February.

UNITED STATES: **Cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000+ head totaled 11.52 million head on March 1, 2002. The inventory was down 2 percent from the 11.70 million head on March 1, 2001.

Placements during February totaled 45,000 head, up 10,000 head from a year earlier but down 1,000 head from January.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.81 million, 14 percent above 2001. Net placements were 1.74 million. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 260,000, 600-699 pounds were 410,000, 700-799 pounds were 662,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 473,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 34,000 head, up 5,000 head from last year but down 4,000 head from January.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.80 million, 3 percent above 2001.

Other disappearance during February totaled 1,000 head, down 3,000 head from last year and down 2,000 head from January.

Other disappearance totaled 63,000 during February, 22 percent below 2001.

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CATTLE ON FEED (1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS), SOUTH DAKOTA & UNITED STATES, MARCH 1, 2001 & 2002

Item	South Dakota			United States		
	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001
	- 1,000 Head -		Percent	- 1,000 Head -		Percent
On feed, February 1	205	200	98	11,941	11,572*	97
Placed on feed during February	35	45	129	1,580	1,805	114
Fed cattle marketed during February	29	34	117	1,745	1,796	103
Other disappearance during February 1/	4	1	25	81	63	78
On feed, March 1	207	210	101	11,695	11,518	98

1/ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further

* Revised.



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DRY EDIBLE BEAN PRODUCTION

SOUTH DAKOTA: Dry edible bean production in 2001 was estimated at 275,000 cwt. Harvested acres, at 17,000, were up 57 percent from last year. Planted acres, at 18,000, were up 7,000 from 2000.

UNITED STATES: Dry edible bean production is estimated at 19.5 million cwt. for 2001, down 26 percent from last year. This is the lowest dry bean production since 1988, when production was 19.3 million cwt. Area for harvest is estimated at 1.24 million acres, 23 percent below last year.

DRY EDIBLE BEAN PRODUCTION, SELECTED STATES AND UNITED STATES, DECEMBER 1, 2001

State	Navy	Pinto	Garbanzo	Other	Total
	----- 1,000 Cwt. -----				
Minnesota	713	156	--	61	1,575
Nebraska	--	1,050	48	70	3,185
North Dakota	1,327	4,050	231	49	6,200
South Dakota	25	45	141	59	270
United States	2,312	8,561	1,606	804	19,541

ANNUAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER, NUMBER OF HEAD AND AVERAGE LIVELWEIGHT, SOUTH DAKOTA AND UNITED STATES, 2001 1/

Area	Cattle		Hogs		Sheep & Lambs	
	Number	Average Liveweight	Number	Average Liveweight	Number	Average Liveweight
	1,000 Head	Pounds	1,000 Head	Pounds	1,000 Head	Pounds
South Dakota	324.1	1,391	4,082.8	258	15.8	105
United States	35,369.7	1,221	97,961.9	264	3,222.1	140

1/ Includes slaughter in federally inspected and in other slaughter plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

FEDERALLY INSPECTED COMMERCIAL AND FARM MEAT PRODUCTION, UNITED STATES, 2001

Type	Beef		Veal		Pork 1/		Lamb & Mutton		Total Red Meat 1/	
	Mil. Lbs.	% Fed. Insp.	Mil. Lbs.	% Fed. Insp.	Mil. Lbs.	% Fed. Insp.	Mil. Lbs.	% Fed. Insp.	Mil. Lbs.	% Fed. Insp.
Commercial 2/	26,108	98.6	194	96.9	19,139	98.7	224	96.4	45,664	98.6
Farm	105	--	10	--	22	--	4	--	141	--
Total	26,213	98.2	204	92.2	19,161	98.6	228	94.7	45,805	98.3

1/ Excludes lard and rendered pork fat. 2/ Based on packers' dressed weight and excludes farm slaughter.

COMING UP IN THE NEXT CROP REPORTER:

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BEE AND HONEY

SOUTH DAKOTA: South Dakota's 2001 honey production totaled 15.3 million pounds, down 46 percent from last year. This ranked South Dakota fourth in the nation, following California, North Dakota and Florida. The number of colonies of bees in the state remained steady at 235,000, with honey production per colony decreasing to 65 pounds, 56 pounds lower than the yield in 2000.

Over the previous five years, the state has averaged 233,000 colonies producing 96.4 pounds of honey per colony. The price received by producers increased 10 percent in 2001, to 64 cents per pound. The value of production in 2001 decreased 41 percent from 2000, to 9.8 million dollars.

UNITED STATES: Honey production in 2001 from producers with five or more colonies totaled 186 million

pounds, down 16 percent from 2000. Honey production in 2001 was the lowest since 1989, when 181 million pounds was produced with a yield per colony of only 51.2 pounds. There were 2.51 million colonies producing honey in 2001, down 4 percent from 2000. Yield per colony averaged 74.0 pounds, down 10.1 pounds from the 84.1 pounds in 2000.

Colonies which produced honey in more than one state were counted in each state and yields per colony may therefore be understated. Colonies were not included if honey was not harvested. Producer honey stocks were 64.8 million pounds on December 15, 2001, down 24 percent from a year earlier. Prices for the 2001 crop averaged 66.9 cents per pound, up 12 percent from 59.7 cents in 2000.

BEE AND HONEY, 2001 1/

State	Number of Colonies	Yield per Colony	Production	Stocks on December 15 2/	Average Price per Pound 3/	Value of Production
	1,000	Pounds	- - - 1,000 Pounds - - -		Cents	1,000 Dollars
South Dakota	235	65.0	15,275	12,220	64.0	9,776
North Dakota	280	96.0	26,880	9,408	65.0	17,472
Minnesota	135	81.0	10,935	1,859	63.0	6,889
Nebraska	43	48.0	2,064	1,115	66.0	1,362
United States 4/	2,513	74.0	185,926	64,750	66.9	127,060

1/ For producers with 5 or more colonies. 2/ Stocks held by producers. 3/ Prices weighted by sales. 4/ Total colonies multiplied by total yield may not exactly equal production.

RED MEAT AND POULTRY EXPORTS UNCHANGED IN 2002

Red meat and poultry exports are expected to total about 10.7 billion pounds this year, unchanged from 2001. The increase in poultry exports will offset the decline in red meats. However, the recently announced ban on U.S. poultry exports by Russia raises uncertainties about the growth in poultry exports. Russia accounts for about 36 percent of all U.S. poultry meat exports. Forecasts may be adjusted as more information becomes available.

Red meat exports are expected to total about 3.68 billion pounds this year, down 4 percent from last year as both beef and pork exports decline. The decline in red meat exports is largely due to a strong dollar, worldwide economic weakness, and increased competition from other countries. Japan, the largest customer for U.S. red meat, is expected to have a lackluster demand for U.S. red meats this year.

Imports of hogs and cattle are expected to increase this year as relatively low grain prices, the strong dollar, and relatively high feeder animal prices make the United States an attractive market for Canada and Mexico. Hog imports are expected to total about 5.8 million head, while cattle imports total about 2.5 million head.

Dairy prices are expected to average considerably lower in 2002, as substantial recovery in milk production outstrips somewhat weaker growth in dairy demand. However, prices will stay well above those of 2000 because of still-strong demand and hindrances to expanding dairy herds. Milk prices shot to almost \$15.00 per cwt. in 2001 because of extraordinary demand, output-slowness problems during the first half, and a very sluggish production recovery in the second half.

Source: *Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry Outlook*, USDA, Economic Research Service, March 2002.

COLD STORAGE

STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE, UNITED STATES

Commodity	February 28, 2001	January 31, 2002	February 28, 2002	February 2002 as % of	
				February 2001	January 2002
	- - - - - Thousand Pounds - - - - -			- - - - - Percent - - - - -	
Butter	86,078	100,176	132,039	153	132
Cheese, total natural	723,916	687,876	704,823	97	102
Eggs, frozen	15,468	13,148	13,971	90	106
Fruits, frozen	1,371,509	1,012,005	945,496	69	93
Fruit juices, frozen	2,100,849	2,010,770	2,049,655	98	102
Meat, total red	852,632	970,148	956,286	112	99
Beef, total frozen	360,212	447,302	430,438	119	96
Pork, total frozen	468,289	500,027	505,315	108	101
Poultry, total frozen	1,020,990	1,049,900	1,134,060	111	108
Chicken	683,306	717,736	724,826	106	101
Turkey	333,521	325,185	402,089	121	124
Vegetables, total frozen	1,865,967	1,981,553	1,807,691	97	91
Potatoes, total frozen	1,254,720	1,270,588	1,268,535	101	100

Data for this report are collected from public and private refrigerated warehouses storing commodities for 30 days or more. Stocks in space owned or leased by the Armed Forces are excluded. Also excluded are stocks in space maintained by wholesalers, jobbers, distributors, chain stores, locker plants, meat packers, and processors whose inventories turn over more than once per month.

SLAUGHTER

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER, RED MEAT PRODUCTION, SOUTH DAKOTA AND UNITED STATES 1/

Kind	Unit	Slaughter			February 2002 as % of		January-February 2/		
		February 2001	January 2002	February 2002	February 2001	January 2002	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001
- - Percent - -							Million Pounds	Liveweight	Percent
SOUTH DAKOTA									
Cattle	1,000 Head	25.5	26.5	12.4	49	47	76.3	52.7	69
Hogs	1,000 Head	311.8	365.4	315.0	101	86	174.6	178.1	102
Sheep	1,000 Head	1.5	1.4	1.2	80	86	0.308	0.314	102
Red Meat 3/	Million Lbs.	78.7	89.7	68.4	87	76	169.0	158.1	94
UNITED STATES									
Cattle	1,000 Head	2,580.4	3,055.8	2,614.8	101	86	6,818.3	7,133.4	105
Hogs	1,000 Head	7,604.2	8,657.8	7,500.0	99	87	4,291.5	4,316.9	101
Sheep	1,000 Head	245.4	254.9	256.1	104	100	73.6	70.9	96
Red Meat 3/	Million Lbs.	3,399.9	4,081.0	3,501.1	103	86	7,333.7	7,582.1	103

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter. 2/ Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data. 3/ Red Meat is based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

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